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Dear Sir:

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The Examiner's attention is directed to the documents identified on the attached Forms PTO/SB/08A and PTO/SB/08B "Information Disclosure Statement By Applicant." A copy of each non-US patent document is enclosed.

Please consider all the listed documents and list them on the cover sheet of any patents to issue from the subject application.

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In accordance with 37 CFR 1.97(c), the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge \$180.00 to Deposit Account No. 50-4244. As a precaution, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-4244 any fee required by this submission.

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